

2021 Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP)

Bidder's Workshop
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The NSGP is a **competitive** grant program intended to provide federal funding (FEMA) for physical security enhancements and other security-related activities to nonprofit organizations that are at risk of a terrorist attack.

- The NSGP seeks to integrate the preparedness activities of nonprofit organizations with broader state and local preparedness efforts and is part of a comprehensive set of measures to help strengthen communities against a terrorist attack.
- NSGP-S vs NSGP-UA
- Period of Performance (POP) is 36 months

➤ September 1, 2021 - August 31, 2024



NSGP Eligibility

Nonprofit organizations designated as an IRS 501(c)(3) entity and exempt from tax under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code.

- Organizations such as churches, mosques, and synagogues are considered exempt if they meet the requirements of section 501(c)(3) and do not have to apply for and receive recognition of exemption from the IRS.
- Able to demonstrate, through the application (Investment Justification- IJ), that the organization is at high risk of a terrorist attack.
- Tax Exempt Organization Search
[Tax Exempt Organization Search \(irs.gov\)](https://www.irs.gov/charities-nonprofits)



NSGP Eligibility

What types of organizations are **not** eligible under NSGP?

- Utility companies
- For-profit transportation companies and hospitals
- Organizations active in politics, lobbying and advocacy work
 - Volunteer fire departments
 - Community Service Organizations (Kiwanis, Rotary, and Lions clubs)
- Labor, agricultural or horticultural organizations
 - i.e. labor unions, county fairs, and flower societies



2021 Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP) Resources

- The NSGP seeks to integrate the preparedness activities of nonprofit organizations with broader state and local preparedness efforts.
 - National Preparedness Goal
[National Preparedness Goal | FEMA.gov](#)
 - Idaho Preparedness Efforts
[Community Preparedness | Office of Emergency Management \(idaho.gov\)](#)
 - FY21 NSGP NOFO / Guidance / Core Capabilities / FAQ
 - [Nonprofit Security Grant Program - Notices of Funding Opportunity | FEMA.gov](#)
 - [FEMA Preparedness Grants Manual GPD](#) (appendix C)
 - [Mission Areas and Core Capabilities | FEMA.gov](#)
 - https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/documents/FEMA_FY2012-NSGP-FAQ_Updated_03192021_508.pdf



2021 NSGP Funding Landscape

- Idaho (recipient) allocation: \$1,350,000
- Applicant (subrecipient) may apply for up to \$150,000 per site (up to 3- IJ required for each site)

2021 NSGP Process

- Three phases:



- State Administrative Agency (SAA)= IOEM



2021 NSGP Allowable Costs

Planning- Security or emergency planning expenses and the materials required to conduct planning activities.

- Must relate to the protection of the facility and the people within and should include consideration of individuals with access and functional needs as well as those with limited English proficiency.
- Examples of planning activities include (but not limited to):
 - Development / enhancement of security plans
 - Emergency contingency or Continuity of Operations Plans
 - Evacuation / Shelter in place plans
 - Emergency Response Plans



2021 NSGP Allowable Costs

Training / Exercise- Limited to an organization's security personnel, staff, members and volunteers only.

- Offsite or onsite security training
- Train the trainer courses
- Training costs are limited to attendance fees and related expenses (materials, supplies and equipment)
 - Travel is not a reimbursable cost



2021 NSGP Allowable Costs

Training / Exercise-

- Allowable training / exercise topics include physical and cybersecurity, target hardening and terrorism awareness / employee preparedness topics such as Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training, active shooter training, and emergency first aid training.
 - Applicants should include specific details about any proposed training/exercises, to include topic, organizational attendees / participants, length, and what vulnerability the activity will help mitigate.



2021 NSGP Allowable Costs

Equipment- Authorized Equipment List (AEL) Categories 14 & 15 only; examples include:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Access Control Equipment• Surveillance Equipment (Cameras)• Impact Resistant Doors and Gates• Intrusion Detection Sensors and Alarms• Exterior Lighting | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Physical Perimeter Security (fencing, walls, jersey barriers)• Screening and Inspection Equipment• Backup computer hardware, operating system, data storage, and application software |
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[Authorized Equipment List | FEMA.gov](https://www.fema.gov/authorized-equipment-list)



2021 NSGP Allowable Costs

Equipment- Allowable equipment outside AEL Categories 14 & 15 include only the following:

- Handheld Radios (AEL 06CP-01-PORT- Radio, Portable)
- Public Warning Systems (030E-03-MEGA- System, Public Address, Handheld or Mobile)- attend to accessibility

*Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation (EHP) review is required for projects impacting environment & historic preservation

[Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation | FEMA.gov](https://www.fema.gov/eplanning)



2021 NSGP Allowable Costs

Personnel- Contracted security protection is the only allowable cost in this category under NSGP.

- Funds may not be used to purchase equipment for contracted security.
- Applicant should justify proposed contracted security personnel spending in the target hardening narrative section of the application.
 - ✓ i.e. number of personnel, frequency of use, hourly rate



2021 NSGP Allowable Costs

Management and Administration (M&A)-

- Up to 5% of a subrecipient's FY 2021 NSGP award may be used for their M&A purposes.
 - ✓ Examples include reporting, financial management, correspondence and monitoring.
 - ✓ Justify M&A budget in Section IV of the Investment Justification to fully account for the project budget.
 - ✓ ***Operational costs are not allowed.***



2021 NSGP Unallowable Costs (not exhaustive)

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| ✓ Organizational operating costs | ✓ Initiatives that enhance federal property |
| ✓ Hiring of public safety personnel | ✓ Initiatives which study technology development |
| ✓ General-use expenditures | ✓ Proof of concept initiatives |
| ✓ Overtime | ✓ Any pre-award costs |
| ✓ Development of risk / vulnerability assessments | ✓ Sexual predatory screening database |
| ✓ License plate reader systems | ✓ Development of the investment justification |
| ✓ Facial recognition software | ✓ Weapons training |
| ✓ Knox boxes | |
| ✓ Guns / weapons | |
| ✓ landscaping | |



2021 NSGP Review Process

FEMA review priorities-

- ***Mission Statement:*** used to validate Investment Justification and to categorize facility (faith-based, education, medical, other).
- ***Completed vulnerability assessment:*** identifies the threats and vulnerabilities specific to the facility / site identified in the application.
- ***Completed Investment Justification (IJ):*** must be a physical address- no P.O. Box Numbers, one site and one address per IJ, organization must occupy the site at the time of the application.
- ***Supporting Documentation:*** supports threat to facility, if applicable, such as police or insurance reports.



2021 NSGP Review Process

FEMA review priorities-

- **Mission Statement:** use official letterhead, provide the ‘who, what and why’ of the organization, state purpose of organization and any policies / practices that may elevate risk.
 - **Vulnerability Assessment (VA):** VA is the foundation upon which the IJ is built, addresses threats, vulnerabilities and consequences of potential events at a site or location; equipment should directly link to the threats, vulnerabilities, and potential consequences to the site.
- ✓ While there are no specific requirements for the VA, applicants are encouraged to engage someone with a security, law enforcement, military or emergency service background to conduct the VA.



(example VA for houses of worship)

<https://www.cisa.gov/publication/houses-worship-security-self-assessment>

2021 NSGP Review Process

Investment Justification-

- Describes the ‘who, what, when, where, why and how of the plan to harden targets.
- Submitted in the required IJ MS Excel fillable form.
 - ✓ All 7 subsections need to be fully addressed.
 - ✓ Submissions in any other format than the provided IJ form are not allowed.
- Should be consistent with the findings of the VA and address target hardening initiatives that will mitigate identified vulnerabilities.
- Establishes the project timeline and milestones for completion of proposed investments and identifies key individuals that will be involved in implementing and administering the award.



2021 NSGP Application

[Welcome to Office of Emergency Management \(idaho.gov\)](https://idaho.gov)

File Submission Naming Convention:

IJ: (Name of Organization)_FY21NSGP_IJ

VA: (Name of Organization)_FY21NSGP_VA

Mission Statement: (Name of Organization)_FY21NSGP_MS



2021 NSGP Review Process

SAA (initial review)

- Verify eligibility (IRS status, physical site/s)
- Validate organization type using mission statement (faith-based, education, medical or other)
- Review and score all complete applications
- Rank all applications by funding priority



2021 NSGP Review Process

Timeline:

- ✓ Pre-award workshop for potential applicants: March 30, 2021
- ✓ ***IJ submission to SAA deadline: April 21, 2021 by 5pm MST***
- ✓ Submission email: IOEMfinance@imd.idaho.gov
- ✓ SAA submission of funding priority slate to FEMA: May 14, 2021
- ✓ Awards announced no later than Summer 2021
- ✓ Period of Performance begins September 1, 2021



Questions

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